Problem of Landless Labourers

@1707. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the problems of landless agricultural labourers have been examined in depth;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to introduce an insurance scheme for them; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Examining the problems of labourers, including landless agricultural labourers, is a continuing process.

(b) and (c) There are a number of schemes being implemented by the Life Insurance Corporation in different States which are primarily meant for weaker/backward sections of the society, landless labourers, etc. Since August 1985, a personal accident insurance social security scheme for poor families has been implemented in 194 districts of the country to provide a survivor benefit of Rs. 3,000/- to the dependent of an earning member of such poor family in the event of accidental death. Landless agricultural labourers would form a substantial component of the target group for such scheme.

Vacancies in Municipal Press, Municipal Corporation of Delhi

@@1708. SHRI BHAGAT RAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of vacancies in the categories of Copy Holder and Machine Inkers are lying vacant in the Municipal Press, Municipal Corporation of Delhi since long;

(b) whether it is also a fact that eligible candidates, sponsored by the Employment Exchange have been awaiting in queue for the last six months and no arrangements for their interview have been made so far;

(c) if so, what are the reasons that the nominees of the Employment Exchange have not been considered for interview till date; and

(d) what is the latest position in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) 3 posts of Copy Holder and 6 posts of Machine Inkers are lying vacant.

(b) to (d) To fill up the posts, the candidates were sponsored by the Employment Exchange and applications of candidates of various departments of the MCD were also received.

The work of Copy Holders and Machine Inkers is closely related to that of the Compositors. Steps have been taken to fill up 9 posts of Compositors after which the posts of Copy Holders and Machine Inkers will be filled up.

Supreme Court Judgements in Languages other than English

@@@1709. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether judgements of the Supreme Court can be written and pronounced in any Indian Language other than English; and

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@Previously Unstarred Question 784 transferred from the 31st July, 1987.

@@Previously Unstarred Question 796 transferred from the 31st July, 1987.

@@@Previously unstarred question 955 transferred from the 3rd August,, 1987.

(b) if so, the number of judgements written and pronounced by the Supreme Court in languages other than English and the names of those languages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): a) No, Sir. In accordance with Article 348(1) of the Constitution all proceedings in the Supreme Court shall be in the English language until Parliament by law otherwise provides. No act has been made in this connection.

(b) In view of (a) above question does not arise.

Export of minerals by private mine owners

@1710. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

SHRI SHEO KUMAR MISHRA:

SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether private mine owners and mineral exporters are exporting raw materials cheaply and importing costly finished products;

(b) whether exports are being canalised through M.M.T.C.; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for allowing such export and import?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (c) Export of iron ore, mangnese ore, chrome ore, coal and bauxite is canalised through Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation of India Limited. However, Goan exporters are allowed to export iron ore of Goan origin to certain permissible destinations. Exports of processed mica and scrap is canalised through Mica Trading Corporation of India Limited and that of iron ore concentrates and pellets through Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited. Exports of other minerals are allowed keeping in view their availability and domestic requirements. Exports of minerals and ores are made at internationally competitive prices. Exports and imports of value added finished products, raw materials etc. are made based on indigenous production and demand, compatitiveness in the international market, overall economics of these operations and other relevant factors.

Captive breeding and rehabilitation of endangered species in Andhra Pradesh

1711. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state the amount allocated to Andhra Pradesh under the Centrally-sponsored scheme to provide assistance for captive breeding and rehabilitation of endangered species so as to supplement the efforts of the State Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): Sparate funds have not been allocated to Andhra Pradesh under the captive breeding and rehabilitation of endangered species scheme since it was started in 1986-87.

Export of Coir and Coir products

1712. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of coir and coir products' exports from Andhra Pradesh during 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86;

(b) whether it is a fact that due to recent floods in Andhra Pradesh, the exports of coir and coir products suffered a set back; and

(c) if so, what action Government have taken to boost up their exports?

@Previously Unstarred Question 1511 transferred from the 7th August, 1987.